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The Examiner is referred to the List of Prior Art (Form PTO-1449A).

DE 199 60 251 and DE 298 06 083 disclose airbag covers hinged to a vehicle. The air bags of these references cause motion of the covers in a direction which is perpendicular to the expansion direction of the airbag. (See 251 Figs. 3a, b and Abstract and '083 Figs. 3 to 7).

DE 195 46 001 and DE 197 01 502 each disclosed a flexible metal hinge which exercises a transverse motion when opened (see e.g. '502 Fig. 3 arrows S,L).

The applicant assumes that, in accordance with MPEP 1893.03(g), copies of the PCT search document and cited prior art have been forwarded to the USPTO by the European Patent Office. If this is not the case, applicant requests notification of same.

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